

CLERK'S OFFICE
TOWN OF BLOOMFIELD.

Telephone No. 46

BLOOMFIELD, N. J., April 10th 1902

Mr. Wm. Douglas Moore,

Dear Sir:-

You are hereby notified of your election to the office of Councilman for a term of two years. The Town Council will meet for organization on Thursday May 1st at 8 P.M.

Please call and take the oath of office before April 18th as required by law, and oblige

Yours very truly

Town Clerk.

THE PATRONAGE

IT WILL BE DISTRIBUTED BY THE COUNCIL-ELECT

Terms of All Appointed Officers Expires this Spring. Talk of Changes and Combinations - Some Officials the Anxious Seat

The terms of all appointed officers will expire this spring, and the Council-elect, who goes into office May 1, will have to apportion the patronage to distribute, and the members of the Council already beginning to feel the pressure of that important part of their responsibility.

The offices filled by appointment and present incumbents are: Town Engineer, A. H. Ometed; Town Attorney, Charles H. Halfpenny; Town Clerk, Harry L. Osborne; Town Planer, Dr. W. H. Van Gleason; Overseer of Poor, Adam Lind; Chief of Police, Louis M. Collins; Chief of Fire Department, Bernard F. Higgins; Superintendent of Fire Alarm, Augustus J. Superintendent of Public Work, R. Cooper; Police Recorder, Jacob West; Inspector of Sewers, Thomas Linus; Dog Warden, Robert Young; Catcher, J. Henry Martin; Pound Master, Alexander McNair and George J. Commissioners of Appeal: First Ward, N. H. Dodge; Second Ward, vacant; Third Ward, vacant. Members of Board of Health, Wm. Reid and Allan Andrew.

There is some talk of combining and decreasing the number of appointments, and some of the office-holders are anxious about pending the department of the programme for the coming fiscal year.

Effort is usually made to make an equitable distribution of the patronage among the three wards viewed from the standpoint of salary. Of the nine officials enumerated above to be elected the place of residence is as follows:

First Ward—Town Treasurer, Town Engineer, Police Recorder, one Commissioner of Appeal, one member of the Board of Health, five in all.

Second Ward—Town Engineer, Chief of Police, Superintendent of Roads, Overseer of Poor, one Pound Master, all.

Third Ward—Town Attorney, Chief of Department, Inspector of Sewers, Dog Warden, Dog Catcher, one Commissioner of Appeal, one member of the Board of Health, one Pound Master, Superintendent of Fire Alarm, nine in all.

County Road Repair

The Freeholders' Committee on Roads and Assessments on Tuesday afternoon received bids for furnishing and delivering one and one-half cubic yards of stone to improve a number of county roads. The bids were numerous, and were uniformly less than those in 1901 for similar material.

The bids for the county roads in this town were as follows:

Bloomfield Avenue, from Mt. Prospect Avenue, Newark, to Montclair line, Osborn & Hara, \$1.60 per ton.

Bay Avenue, from Broad Street to Montclair line, Francisco Brothers, \$1.50 per ton.

Broad Street, from Bay Avenue to Passaic County line, Francisco Brothers, \$1.55 per ton.

BOUNDARY SURVEY

BETWEEN THIS TOWN AND BELLEVILLE TOWNSHIP.

Surveyed by Belleville Engineer—Bloomfield will be notified of the completion of the work—Mr. Schwerdt's Hotel Claimed by Belleville.

Township Engineer Francisco of Belleville submitted to the Belleville Township Committee Tuesday night a map showing the result of his recent survey of the boundary line between this town and Belleville.

Mr. Francisco, in filing the map, which was carefully examined by the Board, said that the various points and angles were ready for the planting of monument stones, but suggested that the officials of Bloomfield be first communicated with and asked if they cared to verify the lines. For taxing purposes he also suggested that the present would be the proper time to ascertain the property lines to prevent friction in the future.

The report and map were accepted, and the clerk instructed to communicate with the council of this town relative to verifying the lines. It was thought necessary, or of great importance relative to an understanding between the municipalities. The engineer was instructed to prepare a map of the property in the vicinity of the former disputed territory.

According to the map filed the saloon property at Belmont and Bloomfield Avenues, which was claimed at one time by each of the municipalities, is shown to be almost wholly in Belleville. But about four feet of the corner of the building is located in Bloomfield. Another piece of property for which the owners, Worthington & Aldrich, have received tax bills from both municipalities, is shown to lay wholly in Belleville.

Belleville was set off from Bloomfield in 1839, and the act of the Legislature creating the township of Belleville thus describes the boundaries of the latter place:

Beginning at Green Island in Passaic River near that part of the road leading from Newark to Belleville called the Guiley Road, being the northeast corner of the city of Newark; and from thence westerly along the line of the said city of Newark to the northeast corner of the township of Orange at the Great Boiling Spring, being also the northwest corner of the said city of Newark; thence northerly in a straight line to a point in the northerly side of the old road leading from the village of Bloomfield to Newark midway between the dividing houses of Charles L. Akers and Nicholas Coughlin; thence in a straight line to the northwest corner of the roads nearest to and north of the bridge across Randolph Pond; thence in a straight line to the northwest corner of the roads leading to Franklinville and Morris Mills near Peter Greshing's dwelling house; thence along the west side of the road leading to Franklinville to the division line between said Greshing's and lands of Abraham Pake, deceased; thence westerly along said division line and the northerly line of lands of Stephen Morris to the centre of the Morris Canal; thence along the middle of said canal westerly to the southerly line of lands of Christopher Mandeville; thence along said Mandeville's line to the western line of the road; thence along the western line of said road to the corner of the road leading from Franklinville to Stonehouse Plains; thence northerly in a straight course to a point in the eastern line of the road near the late dwelling house of Garret P. Jacobus, deceased, where the line of Aquackanong township, in the County of Passaic crosses said road; thence easterly along the line of said township of Aquackanong to the said Passaic River; thence southerly along said Passaic River to the beginning; and the same is hereby set off from the township of Bloomfield, and erected into a separate township by the name of Belleville township.

Most of the "physical" marks used as points in determining the boundary line have disappeared; even one of the most important points, termed the "Great Boiling Spring" has disappeared.

The question relative to the true line of division has been a matter of guesswork for years, and has led to more or less friction between the municipalities.

The assessors have assessed property in both places, and property-owners on more than one occasion have been in a quandary as to which municipality was entitled to the taxes. Finally a give-and-take policy relative to assessments was adopted, which, while it worked satisfactorily in the main, still left room for doubt, and even to this day many taxpayers are in doubt as to the exact location of their property.

BOTTLED BEER.

Some Information Wanted as to the Application of the License Ordinance to that Line of Business—A Bloomfield Dealer Arrested in Montclair.

Section 1 of a town ordinance entitled an ordinance to regulate the sale of liquor reads as follows:

"No person or persons, corporation or association whatsoever shall be hereafter allowed within the limits of said town to keep an inn or tavern, or to sell or permit to be sold on his, her, their or its premises, or to take orders from and deliver to consumers on any street or other place in said town any wine, rum, gin, brandy, whiskey, older spirits or other ardent spirits, or any ale, beer, porter, or any spirituous, vinous, brewed or malt liquors, until such person or persons, corporation or association shall have been first licensed therefor by the Town Council of said town of Bloomfield in the county of Essex."

Since the ordinance of which the above is a part was adopted in 1900, there has been a great increase in the bottled beer business in this town, and an impression has got abroad that such business is not amenable to the law in the same degree that the barroom business is.

Some Montclair beer bottlers have gone so far as to sell bottled beer in this town, and the question has arisen as to whether or not it would be proper to arrest and fine such persons.

This question has gained much strength since Saturday, when a Bloomfield dealer in bottled beer undertook to deliver beer orders in Montclair and was promptly arrested and fined by the authorities there on the ground that he was violating the license ordinance of the town.

It is said that the Montclair license ordinance is almost identical in its terms and provisions with the ordinance in force here, and it appears as if the same rule that holds good in Montclair against a Bloomfielder vending bottled beer there ought to hold good against a Montclair dealer filling orders from people here, and not alone Montclair men, but bottled beer dealers from any other town.

The question that has been raised by the arrest and fine of the Bloomfield dealer in Montclair last week will be brought before the Town Council for an interpretation of that particular feature of the ordinance and for other explicit instructions with respect to dealers in bottled beer, as some very lax opinions are prevalent concerning that line of business.

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Clinton Street, Bloomfield. Ad-

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